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Re: United States CIP Serial No.: 09/499,553
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Please be advised that a Request for Corrected Filing Receipt dated March 28, 2001 was sent to your office. A Corrected Filing Receipt has not been received as of this date. My office made a telephone call inquiring about the same and was told that proof had to be sent regarding the change of the filing date. Therefore, attached please find a copy of the Request for Corrected Filing Receipt, together with an Official Communication from your office dated March 6, 2001, maintaining the February 7, 2000 filing date.

Please be advised that a PCT Request has been filed based on the above-captioned CIP application. I have spoken with the International Bureau regarding the PCT application filing date and was told that the filing date was given to them by the U.S. Patent Office and that we must notify the U.S. Patent Office to correct the filing date. The corrected filing receipt must be faxed to them no later than May 22, 2001.

Please make the corrections to the Filing Receipt and fax a Corrected Filing Receipt to our office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

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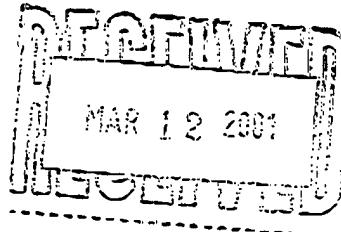
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In re application of: Louis Paul Deiss, et al

Serial No.: 09/199,553 Group No.: 1643

Filed: 02/07/00 Examiner:

For: GENE IDENTIFICATION METHOD

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1. Attached is a copy of the official filing receipt received from the PTO in the above application for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested.

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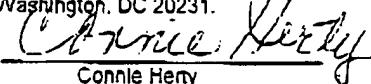
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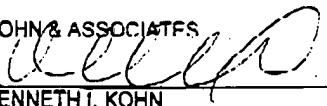


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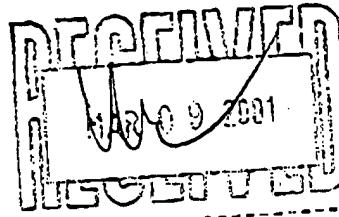

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS
 A/C PATENTSDECISION GRANTING
 PETITION IN PART

This is a decision on the petition filed March 23, 2000, to accord the above-identified application a filing date of February 4, 2000.

On February 7, 2000, the application was deposited.

On March 14, 2000, the Office of Initial Patent Examination mailed a Notice stating that the specification and Figures 1-2 of the drawings were missing and that a filing date would be accorded upon receipt of the missing items.

In response, the present petition was filed alleging that a specification and drawings were deposited with the original application.

The instant application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. National Phase patent application 09/234,782 which originated from PCT/US97/20989. Apparently, petitioner intended for the copy of the PCT application filed with the application to serve as the specification for the instant application even though the documentation filed on February 7, 2000, was ambiguous.¹ Due to the ambiguity, the petition fee of \$130 will not be refunded.

The petition states, "Applicant's representative respectfully requests that the filing date of February 4, 2000, be accorded." However, every other document filed by petitioner (including the new declaration and the header of the instant petition) shows the filing date as February 7, 2000. In addition, the papers in the file indicate that the original application was received on February 7, 2000. If petitioner wishes for a filing date other than February 7, 2000, then a petition under 37 CFR 1.10 should be filed.²

In view of the above, the petition is granted to the extent that the application will be accorded a filing date of February 7, 2000.

¹ In the future, if petitioner wishes to use a PCT application as a specification for another application, he may wish not to include the cover sheet and may wish to delete the heading on every page (i.e. PCT/US97/20989). The cover sheet and heading convey an intent that the pages are included solely as copies of the PCT application and not as new pages to be given a new application number. If papers are filed in the instant application with a number in the header, then the number should be the instant application number and not the number of a parent or grandparent application.

² It should be noted that the parent application issued as a patent on May 2, 2000. Therefore, the instant application, with a filing date of February 7, 2000, has copendency with the parent application.

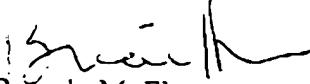
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The Notice mailed March 14, 2000, was sent in error and is hereby vacated.

The Application is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing with a filing date of February 7, 2000, using the application papers filed on February 7, 2000, including the papers labeled as a PCT application (PCT/US97/20989).

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Petitions Attorney Steven Brantley at (703) 306-5683.


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